

My comment here is a simple one. The WRC agreed to remove code as a requirement, and many countries have and are in process of removing it as a requirement. While I appreciate the code and feel it will always be a part of the Amateur Service, it serves no practical or technical purpose for licensing. Requiring it is no different than requiring SSB or PSK31. Moreover, understanding how it's generated, transmitted and functions should be questions as part of the exams. It's place and impacts on bandwidth, power requirements, and times when it is most effective are more useful to the masses than requiring it; only to have it forgotten by a majority of licensees. I'm all for protecting a significant portion of the bands allocation to it, but even that should not be fifty percent.